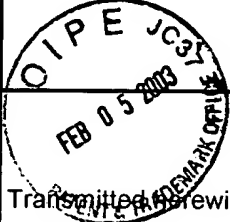


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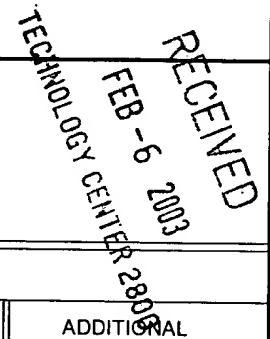
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Honorable Sir:

This Amendment and Request for Reconsideration is in reply to the Office Action dated October 31, 2002. A version of the claims with annotations to show changes made is enclosed herewith. Also included herewith is a copy of a substitute specification, and a copy of the substitute specification with markings to show changes made. Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel Claim 24 without prejudice.

Please amend Claims 17, 25, and 38 to read as follows: